

Tiger is ready to celebrate
SPRING!

He reflects on Alaskan Spring
and celebrates the weather
change, Winterberry staff and
pussy willow paws!



Tiger Talk

Reminder:

If you are walking your dog(s) on campus or the trails in the surrounding area, PLEASE, PICK UP AFTER him or her.

Dogs also must be leashed at all times.



Online registration for next year will open April 26th for current ASD students. All students must register online for the 2021-22 school year. There is no paper registration.



Students new to the Anchorage School District or entering school for the first time will be invited to pre-enroll starting July 15th. To pre-enroll you will need to scan a copy of your student's birth certificate, immunization records or exemption form, proof of residency in the Anchorage Municipality and if pertinent any legal paperwork.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Colleen 742-0139.

News From the Winterberry Parent Guild (WPG)

Dear Winterberry Families,

First, the WPG would like to send a warm greeting to the new families who recently joined our community! We are glad to have new students and their families join our school. Please feel welcome to join our last meeting of the year, May 6th at 6pm via zoom (link advertised below).

The WPG is a parent-teacher organization. The mission of the WPG is to support the Winterberry Charter School and its teachers for the betterment of the children attending the School. We are a non-profit that provides financial support to Winterberry Charter School through fundraising and events.

At our April meeting elections were held and we are happy to announce the results!

Newly Elected: WPG is excited to announce the April election of President Erin Schneider (Grade 5 parent), Vice President Tapia Stover (Kindergarten parent) and Fundraising Chair Jennifer Slater-Sursa (Grade 6 parent). THANK YOU for stepping forward to serve!

Please join us in sending big-time gratitude to outgoing President Oona Martin, Vice President Julie Calcote, Fundraising Chair Jessica Gardner and Treasurer Trina McBride. Your presence, energy and countless contributions make us a stronger school community.

Dates to Remember:

Winterberry Parent Guild
will meet (last meeting of the year!)
May 6th

Time: 1st Thursday of the month at 6pm

Zoom Link to meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4270246187?pwd=dGNPcVFIYURRMHhJb3U0azlZd1pnUT09>

Winterberry Charter Council
will meet

tonight, April 15th

Time: 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm

Zoom Link to Meeting
<https://asdk12.zoom.us/j/519426010>

Meeting ID: 519 426 010



Introducing:
Miles Numme-Worrell

Name: Miles Numme-Worrell

Nickname (This is optional, and only if you would like it included): Meathead

Statement/quote: "So long, and thanks for all the fish." - Douglas Adams

Q. How long have you been in Winterberry's, now, 8th grade class?

A. I have been at Winterberry for ten years including two years of kindergarten, and in my first year at Winterberry I was at the old school in downtown.

Q. What would you like to pass along to the upcoming 8th grade classes?

A. I would hope that they will have a year which is not hampered by zoom, at least for some of it, and I hope they will have an eighth grade trip and circus.

Q. What do you hope to do after leaving Winterberry?

A. I would like to attend Bettye Davis East High School particularly because I want to do the SWS program they offer. In my junior or senior year I would like to attend some classes at King Tech. I don't know yet where I want to go to college, but I want to become a pilot eventually.

Q. Tell me one thing that you would like to remember about Winterberry?

A. I would like to remember the kindness that has been given to me throughout my years at Winterberry, and all the people I have met here.

Q. Are there any people that you would like to remember at Winterberry?

A. I want to remember all the good friends I have had and I want to keep in touch with them if I can.

Q. Is there one person at Winterberry that you would like to try and stay close to at Winterberry?

A. I would like to stay close to Ms. Cronick, because she is one of my favorite teachers in my life, so far.

Q. How would you wish to celebrate your graduation?

A. I am not sure what I would like to do, but I do know that it will likely end in a rather small but crazy party.

Q. Is there one sentence you can think of that describes your time at Winterberry?

A. Enjoyable, funny and very interesting.

Q. Is there one thing you would like to say about your 8th grade year?

A. This year has been very different from what I imagined it would be like, but I have had a rather enjoyable time even though it may be hard to have fun.

Q. Tell me a funny story/memory from your time at Winterberry.

A. I feel that to tell a single story to you I would not be doing justice to the rest. (I also can't think of any [not that there is doubt in my mind about the existence of said memories])

Q. What are these times teaching you?

A. To appreciate the things I have in life even if they seem insignificant.

Q. What is your advice to your future self?

A. Hold strong, it will get better and keep hold of friends and family.

Q. How did you imagine you would be in 8th Grade in 1st Grade?

A. I don't think I had any at that point because I was too worried about what first grade would be like.

Q. Did you live up to your vision?

A. Like said I really, not that I can remember, did not have any expectations for myself in eighth grade.

Q. What do you wish an 8th Grader had told you in 1st Grade?

A. to enjoy and relish all the things that you experience, because it will fly by.

Q. Is there any last thing that you would like to say to your class/teacher/friend?

A. I hope to meet you all again in happier times and maybe we can have a reunion or something.



Introducing: Alea Harris-Barnes

Name: Alea Harris-Barnes

Q. How long have you been in Winterberry's, now, 8th grade class?

A. Since kindergarten

Q. What would you like to pass along to the upcoming 8th grade classes?

A. Well, I can't say Ms. Cronick, because she goes to first grade! I don't know, honestly.

Q. What do you hope to do after leaving Winterberry?

A. Go to high school – East High; School Within a School

Q. Tell me one thing that you would like to remember about Winterberry?

A. The community – how everyone knows each other.

Q. Are there any people that you would like to remember at Winterberry?

A. Most of my teachers - definitely my teachers - Ms. Cronick, especially. She is an amazing human being.

Q. Is there one person at Winterberry that you would like to try and stay close to at Winterberry?

A. Faculty? Definitely Ms. Cronick. And friends? Sophia because she's going to a different school.

Q. What do you like about our school? Why are these things important to you?

A. I think the main thing is that the teachers try to understand the students, rather than just giving them assignments. Like, we have connections with teachers. And, there aren't too many of them, so we can remember their names!

Q. Is there one word you can think of that describes your time at Winterberry?

A. Memorable

Q. Is there one thing you would like to say about your 8th grade year?

A. It's been different than what we thought it would be. Unexpected, and different – no eighth-grade trip that we've been looking forward to since the first grade!

Q. What do you think these times are asking of you? Why?

A. They brought maturity, which could be my age, but I seem like a different person now than when we were going to in-person school. I feel like I figured out a lot of what is going on in the world - a lot of dark stuff that I used to not think about. It kind of forced me into reality.

Q. How would you wish to celebrate your graduation?

A. A party! And to hang-out with my people, with my class, preferably not on Zoom, but that might be how it goes.

Q. Tell me a funny story/memory from your time at Winterberry.

A. My all-time favorite WB memory happened on our field trip to Kachemak Bay in the sixth grade. It was late at night, I was returning from campfire with a few friends. It was super dark. We were headed to our cabin, the "Blueberry Bungalow". I read the sign on our cabin in the dark, but read it incorrectly, and said the Blubbery Bungalow! We still joke about it.

Q. What is your advice to your future self?

A. Don't get too obsessed over details.

Q. If you could live anywhere in the world, where would it be?

A. Canazei, Italy. It's a little town in the Dolomites near Austria. They speak an interesting German/Italian dialect, tucked away in the mountains, which was appealing. I thought I was going to have a bakery with a friend there, but I really wants to be psychologist.

Q. How did you imagine you would be in 8th Grade in 1st Grade?

A. I thought I'd be super tall and super old looking. I thought all the 8th graders were at least six feet tall and so old –

B. like adults!

Q. What do you wish an 8th Grader had told you in 1st Grade?

A. Not all of your questions will be answered.

Q. Name a role model and/or public figure who you admire. Why does this person inspire you?

A. Sophia! I have known her since before preschool. I admire that she takes on challenges and figures stuff out, especially math! Ms. Cronick, too. She's my number one role model. She's really smart and admire the things she has accomplished in life!

Q. If you were an animal, which one would you be? Why?

A. An elephant. They're powerful and people can be scared of them, but they can also be really gentle, caring and kind.

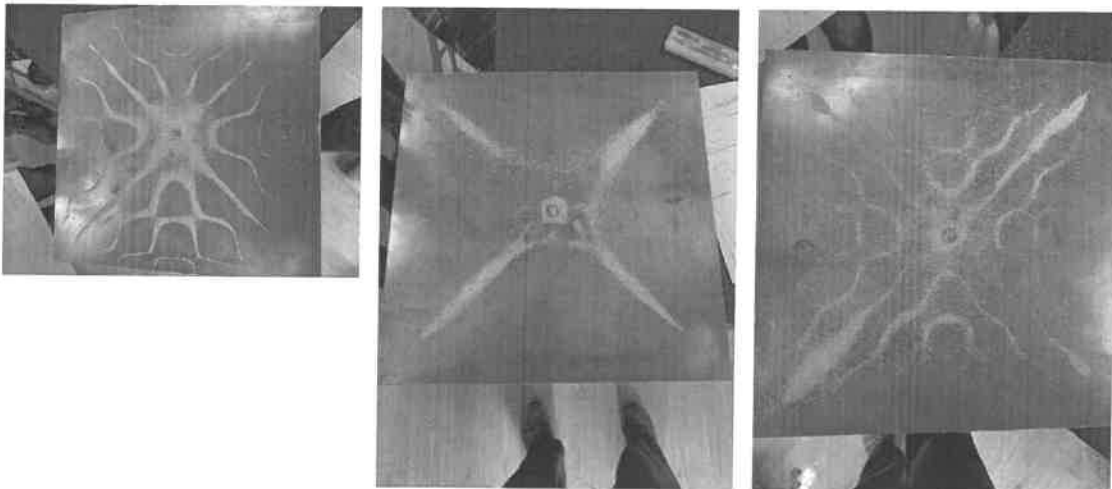
Q. Is there any last thing that you would like to say to your class/teacher/friend?

A. Live life like it could be your last day. Enjoy your moments. Don't get too obsessed over one thing, spending your whole life doing just one thing, because you really need to explore.

Grade 7 Physics Block Studying Sound

Sand Vibration Patterns - Chladni Plate

Ms. Christenson's class is studying the physics of sound. One way to see what our ear is hearing and our body is experiencing is by conducting the Chladni Plate experiment. Students place sand on a rectangular metal plate and introduce resonance/sound at specific frequencies of oscillation which creates a sound patterns in the sand.



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